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In re application of:

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

The above-captioned application is a continuation of U.S. Serial No. 08/931,323. Before action, please amend the above-captioned application as indicated below.

IN THE TITLE

Please replace "THORACIC GRAFT AND DELIVERY CATHETER" with -- GRAFT ASSEMBLY HAVING SUPPORT STRUCTURE --.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Line 1, please delete "THORACIC GRAFT AND DELIVERY CATHETER."

Please insert at line 1, the following -- GRAFT ASSEMBLY HAVING SUPPORT

STRUCTURE --.